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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Distribution List

Subj: PRICE FIGHTER/PRICING HOTLINE PROGRAM

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 1650.8C

Encl: (1) Price Challenge Hotline Suspected Overcharging  
Notification Form

1. Purpose. To identify and report excessively priced spare parts and equipment under the Price Fighter/Pricing Hotline Program (formerly Buy Our Spares Smart (BOSS) Program) and to establish a Price Fighter Awards Program.

2. Background. The Fitting Out and Supply Support Assistance Center (FOSSAC) is the central focal point for price inquiries and challenges delineated per reference (a). Disclosures of apparent overpricing with the Navy, and the large volume of spare parts and equipment procured at MCAS Miramar mandate these items be obtained as economically as possible without jeopardizing operational readiness. The key aspect of the Price Fighter Awards Program is to provide special recognition for personnel who find cost savings in pricing of system stock material.

3. Action

a. Price Fighter/Pricing Hotline Program Coordinator. The MCAS Miramar Price Fighter/Pricing Hotline Program Coordinator shall be designated in writing by the commanding officer and assigned responsibility for overall program coordination within the command as follows:

(1) Establish and maintain a Price Fighter/Pricing Hotline Program File of MCAS Miramar price challenges reported to FOSSAC.

(2) Monitor outstanding inquiries to ensure a timely and complete response is received from FOSSAC, and remain involved in each investigation until the case is closed.

(3) Ensure command-wide training is conducted semi-annually to focus attention on price awareness and reporting procedures. Training shall be properly documented in command training records.

(4) Monitor the Price Fighter Awards Program.

b. Departmental Price Fighter Program Representative. Department heads shall designate in writing to the Price Fighter/Pricing Hotline Program Coordinator a departmental Price Fighter Program representative. The representative shall ensure:

(1) Price awareness is maintained within their respective departments.

(2) Personnel are familiar with reporting requirements of excessively priced parts and equipment under the Price Fighter/Pricing Hotline Program.

(3) Individuals reporting excessively priced items which result in significant cost saving to the Government receive appropriate command recognition.

c. Reporting Requirements. When an item is identified as a candidate for reporting under the Price Fighter/Pricing Hotline Program, personnel shall verify the price of the item and complete a Suspected Overcharging Notification Form (enclosure (1)). Submit a copy of enclosure (1) to the MCAS Miramar Price Fighter/Pricing Hotline Program Coordinator and contact FOSSAC in one of the following ways:

(1) Mail form to:

Commanding Officer  
Fitting Out and Supply Support Assistant Center  
Price Fighters Department  
PO Box 15129  
Norfolk VA 23511-0129

(2) Call the Pricing Hotline (24 hour voice mail) at:  
Commercial (757)443-2006  
DSN 646-2006  
FAX DSN 646-2019, Commercial (757)443-2019

d. Awards

(1) Reference (a) delegates authority to the commanding officer to approve cash awards for military and civilian personnel. The Individual Price Fighter Award quickly recognizes individual efforts to support the Navy's Price Fighter/Pricing Hotline Program. Accomplishments include special initiatives in performing market research to find alternate sources in pricing spares, aggressively negotiating price reductions for spares, achieving recognized cost savings from FOSSAC price challenges and successfully demanding refunds from contractors who overcharged. Division officers shall submit nominations via their department head. General guidelines for determining cash awards are as follows:

<u>Savings</u>	<u>Award</u>
Greater than \$25,000	\$100.00
Greater than \$10,000 up to \$25,000	\$ 75.00
Greater than \$5,000 up to \$10,000	\$ 50.00
Greater than \$500	\$ 25.00

The amount of savings is determined by multiplying the difference between the challenged price and the price resulting from the challenge times MCAS Miramar's previous four complete quarters' demand.

(2) Additional types of reward are strongly recommended for those individuals not qualified for monetary awards but who are strong contributors to the Price Fighter Program. These include but are not limited to:

- (a) Mention in officer fitness reports or enlisted evaluations.
- (b) Special mention at awards ceremonies.
- (c) Meritorious Mast.
- (d) Letter of Appreciation/Commendation.

(3) The Price Fighter/Pricing Hotline Coordinator, in consultation with the S-4 Officer, shall review nominations for Price Fighter incentive awards. Station departments shall be notified of the results within 10 working days following the review of the nominations.

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e. Internal Review shall review the command's Price Fighter/Pricing Hotline Program annually for proper procedures and overall effectiveness.

4. Forms. The Suspected Overcharging Notification Form is available from the S-4.

  
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PRICE CHALLENGE HOTLINE  
SUSPECTED OVERCHARGING  
NOTIFICATION

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Date \_\_\_\_\_  
month/day/year*I think the Government is being over-charged on this item. Please look into it, and let me know what you find.*

Describe the item you think is over-priced:

NSN or Part Number \_\_\_\_\_

Contract Number \_\_\_\_\_  
(Mandatory if only part number is provided)

Description or name of item \_\_\_\_\_

Price you think is wrong \_\_\_\_\_

Source for the suspect incorrect or excessive price \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you think this item is over-priced? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_Is there another NSN you can USE IN PLACE of this item (at a lower price)? ☐ YES .. ☐ NO

NSN \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn about the Price Challenge Hotline Program?

☐ Poster ☐ Magazine/Journal Article ☐ Videotape  
☐ Co-worker ☐ Navy and Marine Corps News ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_Please provide your complete message and mailing address so we can tell you the results of our review.  
(PLEASE PRINT)

Rank/Rate/Name \_\_\_\_\_

Command \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Message Address \_\_\_\_\_

DSN Number \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosure (1)